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FOR: METHOD FOR SCREENING PROCESS CONDITIONS OF A CHEMICAL  
COUPLING REACTION AND KITS THEREFOR

**ELECTION RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Election Requirement dated January 23, 2009, Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, the following species for examination purposes only:

- Species I: A first compound of formula (VII) (see specification: page 40)  
(claims 27-29, 31, 35, 37, 38, 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-53 readable thereon);
- Species II: A second compound of formula (VIII) (see specification: page 41)  
(claims 27, 28, 33-35, 37, 38, 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-53 readable thereon);  
and
- Species IV: A compound Z being the resulting compound from the Sonogashira  
reaction between the first compound of formula (VII) and the second  
compound of formula (VIII) (see specification: page 40)  
(claims 27-29, 31, 33-35, 37, 38, 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-53 readable  
thereon).

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.